pienty.
Golden-haired and gay.
You will get some ten or twenty
Valentines to-day.
Each one with its message tender
Owning absolute surrender
Of the true heart of the sender:
Such is Cupid's way.

You will find my own confession In among the rest.
It is every man's impression
That you love him test.
So, like nine or nineteen others
Of my sentimental brothers. I am one who vainly smothers Love within his breast.

But I know you, little flirt you! Hope! Indeed, I've none! That's the very vine of virtue Frozen by your fun. Every line of love you'll parry. Of these twenty men who tarry. Then, at last, go off and marry



clerk in a retail dry goods store. It is difficult to imagine that an individual torie a baptismal name should be de

creed by fate to wear it in the common place atmosphere of a mercantile life but thus it was.

To behold Mr. Podd on a Sunday afternoon, or on some evening, after the multitudinous affairs of business had ceased until the morrow, one would almost have been led to believe that the baptismal name was scarcely adequate to the man, for when Mr. Podd had cast aside the enthralling shackles of dependent circumstances and stood forth in the full freedom of a smallsalaried clerk off duty, he might readily have been mistaken for a railroad magnate, or a bank official with an evident inclination toward some country where extradition law is not.

At such periods it required an exceedingly imaginative brain to grasp the thought that the individual who whirled past in the newest, and most stylish of rigs-to the utter annihilation of his week's salary-or who occupied one of a reserved pair of orchestral chairs, front, was but the same person who smilingly tore down one side of a dry goods establishment to enable some undecided female to select a spool of thread, or who rewound yards upon yards of Hamburgs and other decora-tive goods which similar consistent creatures had examined with a thoroughness known only to the feminine

Mr. Podd cherished intentions, which, if rightly matured, as they certainly would be in the course of human events, Podd at once decided on adopting simwould give to his existence that couleur de rose which the poets affirm constitutes earthly felicity.

Mr. Podd's intentions were of a matrimonial nature.

In this case the sentiment was a Mr. Podd found a difficult task. species of mild insanity that often attacks young men of a marriagable age and an unmarriageable salary, and Mr. Podd exhibited many of the symptoms

in an aggravated form. He took in two or three extra squares each day in walking to and from his of Mr. Podd's soul. place of business that he might pass the abode which sheltered the idol of his soul, and, perchance, be rewarded by a smile, or bow of recognition from the fair occupant.

The fair being who thus agitated the placidity of Mr. Podd's existence was a Miss Melinda Smythe-her father spelled it Smith in bygone days.

This maiden dwelt with her mother, whose small income was obtained by working early and late at dressmak-

Miss Melinda led a lily-of-the-field existence, and while her mother drudged, and cooked, and sewed in the little back room, her daughter received in the front apartment, or went out to concerts and theaters, from which she brought back lyrical souvenirs to be distributed, with the aid of a cheap rented piano, to the neighborhood at frequent intervals.

From the deportment of Miss Melinda of fashionable dissipation had brought ennui to so young a creature, and when she referred to "our residence," it was in a tone that at once suggested a brown-stone front, plate

glass, and an extensive retinue. In Mr. Podd's eyes, her bearing was simply regal, and he rejoiced in the distingue atmosphere of her presence, unmindful of any doubts of its genu-

Miss Melinda had gained her knowledge of aristocratic deportment from theatrical boards and the pages of that extensive mouth. An unhappy feline, romantic school of literature she delighted in devouring in prodigious quantities, but as Mr. Podd's ideas had been generated by the same equivocal source, he detected none of the flaws in which comparison between the two patent to a more acute or less interest-

ed person.

Mr. Podd's lodgings comprised the most economical part of his existence, being in an obscure street, in a building that wore the look of abject-genteel poverty. Considering the dispiriting surrounding, it is little marvel that Mr. Podd frequently sought the charming companionship of Miss Melinda Smythe, or entertained, in se-one hand that his landlady's daughter cret, visions of a vine-embowered cot-tage, with this divinity as its presiding deity, for if there be any excuse for a one the initials, J. C. P., that Miss rush plunge into the tumultuous sea of Melinda might not mistake the sender.

On St. Valentine's day. Mr. Podd victim leaps from the positive infe-licity of the typical obscure boarding house into the blissful unknown.

Mr. Podd's sojourn at these lödgings, however, was a matter of policy, both on account of the cheapness of bed and board, and also on the score that, owing to the undiaguised partiality of the landlady's daughter for this particular boarder the mother was more leniant forgotten valentines. In their white

dulgent in many of the minor workings of the establishment, including choice orsels at the table and a thoughtful

Owing to these several advantages he lingered on, yet refused to allow his the prodigal collection of love tokens perverted heart to be softened by the contained in the other. indishments of the daughter more than was essential to his own comfort and convenience as a privileged

to an entertainment where the price of had been made. admission was most moderate, suffer-

Mr. Podd's finances were slowly rethe Christmas. February he was walking leisurely from business towards his lodgings, calculating a method by found himself met with chilling scorn, lodgings, calculating a method by which he might be able to pay some bills, long since due, yet retain a sufficient surplus to treat the fair Melinda to a sleigh ride, recklessly promised at a time when the weather gave strong and almost certain indications of verging into balmy spring, while, with a perversity known in no other thing

As he passed down the street his at- her predilection for heroics. tention was drawn to a crowd gathered before a stationer's window, and promillinda," stammered the unfortunate nent among them was the ever obnox- Mr. Podd. ious Tom Jones, who, with the others, LIUS CESAR was absorbed in the contemplation of shriller tones. "Must I have you a display of valentines.

At once the green-eyed monster suggested the idea that this exasperating into the back room, "here is this conrival was even then engaged in select- temptible puppy, Podd." ing one of those dainty missives by means of which he might convey to the the trate mother appeared upon the

wrappers, were the first things to attract her attention.

As they had not been sealed, it was but a few seconds until she was mirthupervision of his wardrobe and room. fully regarding the rival musicians of the one, and feasting her eyes upon

She had scarcely time, on hearing ap-proaching footsteps, to return the valentines to the wrappers, unconsciously changing them in her haste, and take When he wished an extension of up her broom with as innocent an excredit or to secure some especial favor pression as the occasion demanded, Mr. Podd was wont to escort his land- when Mr. Podd hurriedly entered, lady's daughter, in whose fashioning picked up the envelopes, sealed them, nature had neglected to include any and thrust them into his pocket, tocomeliness, to some place of worship or tally ignorant of the exchange which

That evening after business Mr. Podd ing untold anxiety the while lest the sought the nearest tonsorial artist, unodious Tom Jones should be basking der whose especial care he placed himin the sunlight of Miss Melinda's pres- self for the next half hour, then he ence during this voluntary exile on his | wended his happy way to the abode of his soul's ideal.

Imagine the consternation of the covering from the severe drain to hapless Mr. Podd. who, on presenting which they had been subjected during himself to the fair Miss Melinda, secure in the expectation of a cordial while that young lady dramatically

waved him hence. "Begone! you villain," she wrathfully exclaimed, in true stage parlance, and with another tragic wave of her hand. "Why, Miss Melinda," began the astounded Mr. Podd.

"Don't 'Miss Melinda' me, you base save women, it now gave as positive hypocrite, you!" screamed the young evidence of a speedy fall of snow. lady, allowing her temper to overcome "Great Jupiter! My dear Miss Me-

> "Go!" cried Miss Melinda, in still ejected from this apartment? Mar!" she added, opening the door leading

"Has be come back here ag'in?" and



"BEGONE, YOU VILLAIN!"

ccurate state of his feelings, and Mr. eat still out-squalled you," she said is sion that alike consumed his soul and | joint accusations. salary.

Many of these dainty messengers apothers were of too obscure a nature to portray the proper intensity of emo-

pierced hearts and very fat cupidswho were evidently in the same plight as Flora McFlimsey-together with sort of way, turned and fled into the congenial doves, clasped hands, mot toes of truth, fidelity, constancy and levotion, with other symbols representing a harmonious state of affairs generally, were scattered prodigally over gilded paper in filigree design.

Added to this was an amatory sonnet, wherein dove, love, bliss, kiss, etc., were worked up in several lines of choicest machine poetry, while the finale was a suggestive sketch of a devoted couple before an altar, and officiating clergyman, with another fat cupid in the background, wearing a highly-contented expression and— Poor Mr. Podd! He muttered some highly-contented expression and-

nothing else. As Mr. Podd turned to go his eyes fell on a pile of comic valentines which

Some one has said the destiny of a in public, one was led to regret that a nation turns frequently upon a small pivot. That of an individual is often

as delicately poised. This careless glance proved the turning point which overthrew fortune, and enthroned her unwelcome kinswoman in the near future of Mr. Podd's

existence. The topmost valentine portrayed a spinsterly-looking female, seated at an antiquated piano which she was be-laboring in a blood-curdling way in accompaniment to some operatic gem, supposed to be issuing from her very with arched back, distended eyes and enlarged caudle appendage, lifted up her agonized wail from an adjacent fence. Below this sketch was a verse,

singers was much in favor of the cat. An evil thought, perhaps, born of a recent request for arrears for board, entered the mind of Mr. Podd to bestow this souvenir of St. Valentine on the landlady's daughter, who also thrummed the piano, and acting on the

sudden impulse he bought the missive. When at his lodgings he directed On St. Valentine's day, Mr. Podd arose somewhat later than usual, and

hurriedly went down to breakfast, forgetting the two missives lying upon the table in his room.

harsh and sareastic tones, as she conilar measures in an avowal of the pas- fronted the bewildered victim of their "Or to have my voice remind him of a

Now, it would seem that from a well-file on a cross-cut saw," rejoined stocked assortment of valentines, one the daughter with a little hysterical might readily make a selection, but sob. "O, mar! drive him away. I can't bear the sight o' him."

"My child! don't let such a miserapeared too cold and indifferent to suit | ble creature disturb you," said the the critical taste of this customer; mother, soothingly; then, pointing to

the outer door, said: "Get right out o' here, an' don't put tion that stirred the profound depths your foot nigh this house ag'in. If I was a man I'd learn you how to insult un-Finally he chose one, in which arrow- protected ladies," she added, as a parting injunction when Mr. Podd, with his hand pressed to his head in a dazed

darkness. An hour or two afterward, as he stole dejectedly into his lodgings he met at the door his landlady's daughter, who had his sentimental valentine in her hand, and beamed upon him a

happy smile.
"Oh, Mr. Podd!" she tenderly exclaimed, "how can I ever thank you for this too awfully levely valentine? I've been watchin' for you ever since supper. Do come into the parlor, where there is a nice warm fire an'

thing about being consumed by a raging headache, and declining all proffered remedies he went hastily to his room, where, locking himself securely within, he gave up fully to the anguish of the hour.

It is a cause for little wonder, therefore, that any allusion to St. Valentine's day now causes a deep depression to settle on his once susceptible heart and a chill to pervade his sensitive

being.-Detroit Free Press. Valentine's Day.

The youth now sits with wrinkled brow Nor stirs the livelong day; Except to throw away and write, And write and throw away. This is a time that tries his soul

With agony extreme. He seeks to make a valentine That's worthy of its theme.

—Chicago Mail.

A Real Practical Girl. Young Tutter-I came near sending you a valentine yesterday, Miss Clara, and then I thought you were too practical a girl to care for such a thing. Miss Pinkerly - You are entirely right, Mr. Tutter. For instance, would much rather go to the theater.-

One Kind of Valentine. Of all the valentines that came,
Not one liked he a bit;
They all were worded just the same,
And ended: "Please remit."
—Chicago Tribune

Harvest Time-Come all ye soap-ad poets.
You can reap a harvest fine
By writing stilly verses
For the comic valentine.
—Pittaburgh Dispatch.

-Cupid's Cunning and Cataracts.-Cupid may be blind sometimes, but it takes him about two-tenths of a second to see through the anonymous part of a valentine.—Washington Star.

-The man who lacks the courage necessary to inspire an anonymous let-ter now gathers his forces and sends a comic valentine.—Washington Star.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

-"Ah, half de wurl' lives by pullin' de othah half's laigs," sighed Uncle Kiah, as he softly reached for the midnight hen.-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

-Tough-"I want a dozen eggs. an wants 'em bad, see?" Go to that grocer across the street. Everything he keeps is bad."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

-Better Unsaid .- Young Lady (after sitting for her portrait)-"Don't you think I am flattered in the picture?" Gent (gushingly)-"Fraulein, who would not flatter you?"-Humoristische Blatter.

-Breaking In .- "There's more'n one way to get into good society," mut-tered the midnight marauder, softly raising the pantry win low of a Prairie avenue mansion and crawling inside. -Chicago Tribune.

-"i'm going to call my baby Charles," said the author, "after Lamb, because he is such a dear little lamb," "C, I'd call him William Dean," said the friend; "he Howells so much."-Advance.

-Mrs. Enpec-"I can't understand how a man can love a woman who has a physical deformity: can you?" Enjec -"O, I don't know; I shouldn't think less of a woman who was tongue-tied." -P. & S. S. Co.'s Bulletin.

-"The thing that Biggles lacks is sincerity," remarked the self-appointed critic of mankind. "What makes you say that?" "He made a resolution to quit swearing and bought a fountain pen on the same day."-Washington Star.

-Preacher-"Every man must some lay settle his account with his Maker.' Tailor-"I wish you could impress Mr. Palmer with that idea. He hasn't settled with me in about two years."-Harlem Life.

-"It is wonderful what progress has been made in the way of machinery, remarked Mr. Figg. "I see that there has been a machine invented that can make a complete pair of shoes in sixteen minutes. Why, that is even faster than Tommy can wear them out."-Indianapolis Journal.

-Mistress (finding visitor in kitchen) -"Who is this, Mary?" Mary (confused)-"My brother, m'm." Mistress (suspiciously) - "You're not much alike." Mary (stammering apologetically)-"We were, m'm, but he's just had his beard shaved off, and that makes him look quite different, m'm.' -Tit-Bits.

-Lady (to her husband)-"I am growing so fat that I am beginning to feel quite alarmed about it. I have discovered that I weigh 249 pounds." "Two hundred and forty pounds! And where did you get weighed?" "On the butcher's scales. O, then, calm yourself! You weigh exactly half."-Le Figaro.

-Sir George-"Look here, John! My lady complains that when you see her in the street you never salute her. What do you mean by it?" John-Beggin' your pardon. Sir George, but in a book on ettyketty, which I posess, it is set down that the lady ought o bow first."-Household Words.

-Notes from the Diary of a Lady .first day-On the high seas; stormy yeather: disagreeable company. Sec ond day-Captain very amiable: made declaration of love and offered me is heart and hand; rejected. Third day-Captain returns to the charge, threatens to kill me, commit suicide and blow up the whole vessel with three hundred persons; rejected. Fourth day—Saved the lives of three hundred persons.-Tit-Bits.

SELLS SLAVE GIRLS.

How the Corean Queen Sustains Her Royal Purse.

There are slave girls innumerable around the royal palaces of the hermit kingdom of Corea. It is difficult to find out how many there are. One official would say hundreds, another thousands. A consul, who has had opportunity to learn the facts in the case, says there are about fifteen hundred. It is equally difficult to learn where they come from. Their appearance shows that they are not from any one stock. Some are Coreans and some are Tonghaks, from Guing-Shang-Do, in the south of the kingdom; some show Japanese blood, others Chinese, and still others Manchurian. They are of all sorts and types. All speak Corean, and nearly all have a smattering of Chinese. They are all well brought up and quiet, polite and industrious. They begin their career as domestic servants when mere children, and are seldom found in the royal establishment after they are twenty-five years old. A few, who are unusually good-looking, become royal concubines, and a large number are taken for the same purpose by the princes and lords of the realm. and, it is said, for a very large price. The rest are sold as commodities to the highest bidder and the proceeds paid into the royal treasury.

The latest available blue book of Corea-in summarizing the royal income, includes these entries:

"Ninety-one thousand nine hundred and seventeen stone of best rice. "Forty-one thousand four hundred and eighty-four stone of beans.

"One hundred and seventy-two thousand seven hundred and thirteen nyang in money.

"Twenty-four thousand nyang from sale of slave girls." A nyang is a string of one hundred

copper coins, whose value in American money ranges from five hundred to one thousand to the dollar. The market value of a girl in Corea varies from ten dollars to forty dollars. Upon these figures the monarch must raise and sell in the public market every year from thirty to four hundred young women. The general average would be about two hundred per year. The custom is not so bad as it seems at first sight. The majority are purchased by men for their wives, and a small minority for

This trade in human beings is considered perfectly legitimate, and has come down from time immemorial. It is not confined to the royal palace, but it is practiced to a certain extent all over Corea. The custom is followed likewise in China, and seems to characterize nearly every Mongolian race. -Philadelphia Press.

A Business Woman. Pretty Girl-Are you Miss Backbay's waiting maid? Maid-Yes'm.

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"Miss Backbay is a great heiress from Boston, isn't she?" "She is." "And very much sought after?" "Well, yes."

me the addresses of her gentlemen ad-mirers, I will be very much obliged." "Dear me! What for?" Twelve bottles of Dr. "I am selling encyclopedias."-N. Y

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## THE PISO COMPANY.

The above is the style of the firm which manufactures Piso's Cure for Consumption and Piso's Remedy for Catarrh, at Warren, Pa. The company was recently incorporated, succeeding E. T. Hazeitne, under whose name the business has been conducted for many years. In fact the business was established in 1894, when \$5 was paid for the first barrel of sugar bought, that was 33 cents a pound other things were proportionately high, as much of the Piso Cure is now sold for 25 cents as was then for \$1.00.

While the firm has been a very persistent While the firm has been a very persitent advertiser in newspapers, its aggregate outlay annually has been comparatively small, so that the steady and rapid herease in sales to their present large proportions certainly indicates that Piso's Cure for Consumption possesses high merit as a remedy for coughs, colds and throat and lung troubles generally. The pleasant taste of the cure has doubtless contributed materially to its namularity.

ally to its popularity.

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## THE MARKETS.

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BUNGHING Their Remarks-The suburban-Bunching Their Remarks—The suburbanite who had been waiting at the station for the
gates to open was preparing to grasp a big
and cumbrous bundle of lugrage in such a
way as to lift it when the sarcastic traveler
near the radiator remarked: "That len't
exactly what you would call an easy-pick-up,
is it!" "I think, sir," replied the suburbanite, eying him shacply, "you will find I in
able to budget."—Chi. go Tribune.

Ma. Goodehild - "Yes, I do feel in good spirits this evening. My boy has based examination!" The Earl "Well, I don anything in that So has mine." Mr. child - "Er-Indian civil?" The Earlbankruptcy !"-Punch.

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